



International Geography Bee

2018 International Geography Bee US Varsity & Junior Varsity National Championships

Round 2

1. On this island, an attempt to kidnap a man named Tiata inspired the name of its Cape Kidnappers. The cities of Napier and Hastings make up the Bay Cities of this island for their location around Hawke's Bay. The Heretaunga Plains can be found on this most-populous island of its country, that is home to a namesake species of bird that lays the largest eggs in relation to its body size. This island is to the north of the Cook Strait and is bounded to the west by the Tasman Sea. A species of kiwi bird is native to, for the point, what island which contains Wellington, New Zealand, which is closer to the Equator than its country's other main island?

ANSWER: **North** Island

2. This mountain range is home to an annual 75-kilometer race known as the Giants Challenge. Only 4x4 [4 by 4] vehicles are allowed to travel across this mountain range's dangerous Sani Pass. The tallest peak in this mountain range has a name translating to "beautiful little mountain" and is natively called Thabana Ntlenyana. This range is the source of the Tugela and Orange Rivers. This range passes through the province of Eastern Cape and is to the north of the Cape of Good Hope. For the point, name this main mountain range of southern Africa.

ANSWER: **Drakensberg** Mountains (accept Drakensbergs; accept **Drakensberg** escarpment; prompt on Dragon Mountain)

3. Timothy Pauketat and Thomas Emerson rejected the idea that this site engaged in mercantilism. The placement of poles to mark solstices and equinoxes led part of this site to be referred to as "an American Woodhenge." This site is found in a riparian area known as the American Bottom and the Monks Mound is one of its prominent features. This site is separated from St. Louis by a river that shares its name with the culture that settled here. For the point, name this site once inhabited by the Mississippian culture.

ANSWER: **Cahokia**

4. The Benetton Group has come under fire for purchasing land in this region that has historically belonged to one of its major indigenous peoples. Bruce Chatwin's first book focuses on his journey to this region and is titled "In" it. Ruptures in one feature of this region routinely cause the damming of the Brazo Rico; that feature is the Perito Moreno Glacier. A phenomenon known as Araucanization occurred as the Mapuche migrated to this region. The Tierra del Fuego is considered part of, for the point, what region containing parts of Chile and Argentina?

ANSWER: **Patagonia** (prompt on Argentina or South America during first two lines only)

5. Shopping areas in this city include the Third Street Promenade and the western end of Wilshire Boulevard. This city is bordered by Venice on the south and the neighborhood of Pacific Palisades on the north along State Highway 1. This city was connected to its metro area's rail system when the Expo Line was extended here in 2016. This city's most famous structure is at the foot of Colorado Avenue and includes an amusement park, Pacific Park. For the point, name this Southern California beach city located west of Los Angeles with a world famous pier, the endpoint to Interstate 10 and historic Route 66.

ANSWER: Santa Monica, California

6. A 10-year old girl named Havivra Da Ifrile survived this event by rowing a boat to the safety of a cave. This was the only naturally occurring event that was the subject of one of George Melies' "reconstructed newsreels." This event resulted in the filling of the Étang Sec crater. American vessels from Puerto Rico and Santo Domingo were dispatched to deal with this 1902 event whose central feature was described as "a giant oil refinery" during it. The city of Saint-Pierre was devastated by the pyroclastic flows of this event. For the point, name this eruption that affected Martinique.

ANSWER: eruption of Mount (or Mont) Pelee

7. Point Partridge is located in the largest island in this body of water, where Chum salmon populations have been dwindling around its Hood Canal. A ferry service takes passengers from the eastern shore of this body of water to the Kitsap Peninsula. Whidbey Island is the main island in this body of water that is fed by the Nisqually River. The Admiralty Inlet connects the Strait of Juan de Fuca to this body of water that is bordered by the Olympic Peninsula. For the point, name this inlet of the Pacific Ocean found along the coast of northwestern Washington.

ANSWER: Puget Sound

8. The first ascent of this mountain was completed by a team led by Charles Barrington. Early attempts to ascend a portion of this mountain were the subject of the book *The White Spider*. Mönch is the parent peak of this mountain, inside of which are stations of the Jungfrau Railway. The large number of casualties on one part of this mountain has led that portion to be given a nickname translating to "Murderous Wall." Along with the Grandes Jorasses (**pr. grahn zhor-AHSS**) and the Matterhorn, this mountain contains one of the three great north faces of the Alps. For the point, name this mountain in the canton of Bern, Switzerland.

ANSWER: the Eiger

9. A measure of the resistance of this phenomenon's central bodies to its occurrence is known as the Revelle factor. During the Paleocene–Eocene Thermal Maximum, this phenomenon was considered a leading cause of foraminifera dissolution in the benthic zone. The head of NOAA (**pronounce as "Noah"**) has referred to this problem as the "equally evil twin" of global warming. Resulting from the increase in hydrogen ions brought about by carbon dioxide absorption, for the point, name this phenomenon by which the pH of bodies like the Pacific and Atlantic decreases.

ANSWER: ocean acidification (accept answers that indicate increases in **carbon dioxide** levels in **oceans**; prompt on more broad answers that do not specifically include "oceans"; prompt on climate change)

10. Dean Potter lost a clothing sponsorship after climbing one feature at this national park. Alexander Ringhoffer proposed the conservation of the area that became this national park and proposed the name "Devil's Garden" for a region in its portion of Salt Valley. Herbert Hoover invoked the Antiquities Act to protect the namesake features of this national park located in the city of Moab. Petroglyphs of the Ute tribe can be found at, for the point, what Utah national park known for its namesake sandstone rock formations?

Answer: Arches National Park

11. A legend claims that a princess named Wanda drowned herself in this river to prevent one man's army from invading her country. A tributary of this river that is one of the few non-Italian braided rivers of Europe is the Narew (**pr. NAH-rev**). This river is the namesake of a so-called "Miracle" that saw the defeat of Mikhail Tukhachevsky's forces in 1920. Barania Góra is the source of this river that rises in the Beskid subrange named after Silesia. A sandspit separates this river's namesake lagoon from Gdansk Bay. For the point, name this main river of Poland.

ANSWER: **Vistula** River

12. An island in this east of this body of water contains a dormant volcano named after the Earl of Edgecumbe. In 1958, a megatsunami with the highest-ever recorded tidal wave hit this body of water's Lituya Bay. The Alexander Archipelago can be found on the eastern end of this body of water. The Cook Inlet is separated from this body of water by the Kenai Peninsula while Shelikof Strait separates the mainland of this body of water's namesake state from Kodiak Island. For the point, name this gulf south of a namesake state containing Anchorage and Juneau.

ANSWER: **Gulf of Alaska**

13. The Sea Gate marks the entrance into this city's famous medina quarter and the primary port of this city, La Goulette, contains its Kasbah. The remains of the shipwreck off Mahdia can be found in this city's Bardo National Museum. A street in this capital city that is sometimes referred to as its nation's "Champs-Élysées" is the Avenue Habib Bourguiba. Major suburbs of this city include Sidi Bou Said, and a city where Punic archeological sites can be found, Carthage. For the point, name this capital city of Tunisia.

ANSWER: **Tunis**, Tunisia

14. John Hardcastle found how deposits of this substance in Timaru could be used to infer past climatological trends in the Southern Alps. The term for this material was first used by German peasants to describe parts of the Rhine Valley in the 1820s. A region named for this substance is found around the Wei River and comprises most of the province of Shanxi. That plateau was named for this substance partly due to its spreading after floods around the Yellow River. For the point, name this silt-containing sediment formed by wind-carried dust particles.

ANSWER: **loess**

15. Nag's Ridge is a popular tourist destination in this archipelago for visitors to the large sand dunes on its Jockey's Ridge State Park. Declines in the whaling industry of this archipelago led many of its inhabitants to emigrate from its Cape Lookout. Parts of Dare County are located on this archipelago that borders Albemarle Sound. Ocracoke Island is part of this archipelago whose settlement of Kill Devil Hills, rather than its town of Kitty Hawk, was the actual site of the Wright brothers' first flight. For the point, name this island chain off the coast of North Carolina.

ANSWER: **Outer Banks**

16. In 2015, a Philadelphia-based company named Indego began a service relying on the sharing of these objects. Over 500 million of the Flying Pigeon types of these objects have been sold in China. SF2G is a program that involves Google employees using these vehicles. The Great Divide Trail in the Canadian Rockies contains a popular route designed for one subtype of these vehicles. In the Netherlands, there are three times more of these vehicles than cars. Often used in velodromes, for the point, name these two-wheeled vehicles.

ANSWER: **Bicycles**

17. Members of this country's Bedick peoples are concentrated in Bandafassi. A Sufi order known as the Mouride brotherhood is headquartered in one of this country's holiest cities. Ethnic Jolas of Christian faith have led separatist movements in this country's Casamance region. Touba is found in this country, which is home to the largest populations of the Serer people and Wolof peoples. French is the main language of this Muslim-majority nation southwest of Mauretania. For the point, name this West African country with capital at Dakar.

ANSWER: **Senegal**

18. Tens of thousands of people take advantage of the free parking along this city's Storrow Drive when preparing to watch its Fourth of July celebrations at the Hatch Shell. This city's Shawmut Peninsula is home to a particularly wealthy neighborhood called Beacon Hill where many of this city's cultural and business elite, known as its Brahmins, have lived. This city's Public Garden is one of many parks in its portion of the Emerald Necklace and Victorian architecture can be seen along this city's Back Bay. The Charles River flows through, for the point, what most-populous city in Massachusetts?

ANSWER: **Boston**, Massachusetts

19. This country's Paramillo (pa-ra-MEE-oh) Massif is one end of what are perhaps the most distant intervisible points in the world. Over 500 kilometers away, this country's Sierra Nevada de Santa Marta forms the other such point. This is the only South American country that is part of the six emerging markets labeled CIVETS and this country is home to more bird species than any other. Vaupes and Boyaca are among the departments of this country which also contains the Magdalena River Valley. Ecuador and Peru are both to the southwest of, for the point, what country containing cities like Medellin and Bogotá?

ANSWER: **Colombia**

20. One station on this transit system is only open on August 4 and August 5 for an annual festival. Vending machines belonging to the company "Seventeen Ice" operate on platforms of this transit system. Cars in this transit system are labeled A1 through A12 and are monitored by blue-uniformed members of its so-called "task force". During peak hours "pushers" ensure maximum occupancy in this system's cars. Above 3.5 million of the 8 million daily users of this transit system pass through its Shinjuku station. For the point, name this rail transit system that is being upgraded in advance of the 2020 Summer Olympics in Japan's capital.

ANSWER: **Tokyo Subway** (accept **Tokyo Metro**; accept **Tokyo no chikatetsu**)

21. A northern region of this desert known for its red sand is the Nefud and a lengthy canyon system in this desert is known as the Tuwaiq escarpment. British adventurer Wilfred Thesiger crossed a remote portion of this desert in the 20th century, and also explored its Umm al Samim quicksand area. A particularly dry 650,000 square kilometer portion of this desert is known as the Empty Quarter or Rub-al-Khali. For the point, name this desert sharing its name with a Middle Eastern peninsula.

ANSWER: **Arabian** Desert (antiprompt on "Rub-al-Khali" before its mention by saying "Be less specific")

22. This city contains a set of ancient human footprints at Acahualinca. The Tiscapa Lagoon can be found in this city that is located on the southern bank of Lake Xolotlan (**pr. SHO-lote-lan**). The Catedral de Santiago is found in this city whose commercial area is located around its *Plaza de la Revolución*. One of the few large buildings left relatively unscathed after a 1972 earthquake in this city was its Ruben Dario National Theater. The San Juan River links a lake named for this city to a larger one named for the country it is the capital of. An airport named after Augusto Sandino serves, for the point, what capital of Nicaragua?

ANSWER: **Managua**, Nicaragua

23. In 1896, Franz Steindachner provided the taxonomic name to the only known specimen of this river's namesake shark ever found. The Taping is the first tributary of this river, which passes through Bhamo near a locale nicknamed "Dolphin Point." Over \$3 billion dollars have been allocated for the now-suspended Myitsone Dam on this river. This river begins at the confluence of the Mali and N'mai Rivers and flows into the Andaman Sea. A British poem inspired the nicknaming of this river as "the Road to Mandalay." For the point, name this river that flows through Myanmar.

ANSWER: **Irrawaddy** River

24. One city on this island is home to the headquarters of the major conglomerate Novo Holdings A/S while one of this island's UNESCO World Heritage sites is the white Cliffs of Stevns. A castle which takes its Anglicized name from the town of Helsingør on this island, was used by Shakespeare as the main setting for Hamlet. The Great Belt Fixed Link helps separate this island from Funen, and Roskilde on this island is home to one of Europe's largest music festivals. The Skagerrak is north of this island, whose main city contains the Tivoli Gardens and the Christiansborg Palace. For the point, name this largest island of Denmark.

ANSWER: **Zealand** (or **Sjælland**)

25. Tall rhododendrons provide a scenic quality to this state's Roan Highlands. The only fishery licensed to harvest a sunfish species known as the crappie is found along this state's Reelfoot Lake. Uriah Stone was the namesake for a river in this state where a Civil War battle was fought that is sometimes named the Battle of Murfreesboro. This state's Sevier County is home to a theme park known as Dollywood, which is located near its town of Gatlinburg. Jack Daniel's is a whiskey produced in this state that holds a weekly concert known as the *Grand Ole Opry*. For the point, name this state where country music thrives in Nashville.

ANSWER: **Tennessee**

26. In this country, the Alertness Movement refers to a particularly violent form of one of its musical genres. The *Sinfonia India* was composed by a man from this country, which uses instruments of its native Yaqui people. A five stringed instrument called the vihuela is used in a popular ensemble in this country supposedly named for its common appearance at weddings. "La Cucaracha" was a famous example of a folk ballad performed in this country known as the *corrido*. For the point, name this Spanish-speaking country home to mariachi bands.

ANSWER: **Mexico**

27. The Tavan Bogd massif in this country is home to its highest point of Khuiten Peak. A term for severe winter storms in this country that results in mass deaths of livestock is *zud*. The capital of this country has the lowest average temperature of any national capital; that capital city of this country has a name that translates to "Red Hero." With a population of 1.9 people per square kilometer, this is the least dense country in the world. An autonomous region of China partly shares its name with this country. For the point, name this country whose main ethnic group was once ruled by Genghis Khan.

ANSWER: **Mongolia**

28. Though not in California, Napa Valley's Emil Tedeschi established a namesake winery on this island that was its state's first. *Heiau* temples are some of the archaeological findings around this American island's La Perouse Bay. Charles Lindbergh is buried on the eastern reaches of this island near the town of Hana while the Iao Valley and the resort town of Lahaina are on its western side. Nicknamed the "Valley Isle" this island is dominated by a shield volcano known as Haleakala (**pr. hah-lay-AH-kah-lah**). Kanaha Beach Park and Honolua Bay are popular surfing destinations on, for the point, what Hawaiian island that shares its name with a trickster deity?

ANSWER: **Maui**

29. The Chinese government has planned to build a naval base on this body of water's city of Obock. The eastern terminus of this body of water is marked by Cape Guardafui. The Shamsan Mountains pass through a governate that shares its name with this body of water. Djibouti is to the west of this body of water that was formerly named for a city along it called Berbera. The Bab el-Mandeb to the northwest of this body of water connects it to the Red Sea. Found north of Somaliland, for the point, name this gulf that shares its name with a city in Yemen.

ANSWER: Gulf of **Aden**

30. Sites like Mini Hollywood in this region's Tabernas Desert were used in western films including several of Sergio Leone's. A group of intermontane valleys in this region make up its Intrabaetic Basin. A cathedral found in the capital of this region contains the tomb in which Christopher Columbus is buried. The Sierra Morena Mountains separate this region from Extremadura. The Guadalquivir River flows through this region, whose eight provinces include Cádiz (**pr. cah-DEETH**) and Granada. For the point, Seville is located in what region of southern Spain?

ANSWER: **Andalusia** (prompt on Spain or Iberia until "capital")

31. An 1879 riot broke out at one of these locations in Sydney after a controversial decision by George Coulthard. A building that was originally built for this purpose is nicknamed "the G" and is located in Melbourne. S.K. Wankhede names one of these venues which saw Kumar Sangakkara's team lose to that of Mahendra Singh Dhoni in 2011. The Oval and Lord's are two prominent venues of this type in London, the latter of which holds the urn representing the Ashes test match series. For the point, name these locations where a sport that involves wickets is played.

ANSWER: **cricket stadiums** (accept **cricket grounds** or answers that indicate where **cricket** occurs)

32. The creation of this province's Kenney Dam led to the displacement of hundreds of Cheslatta T'En people. A sudden narrowing of a river that flows through this province is known as Hells Gate. A city in this province contains the Burrard Street Bridge and is served by the transportation system SkyTrain. The Coast Mountains are on the western end of this province containing the Fraser Plateau. The Strait of Georgia separates the mainland of this province from an island that shares its name with its most-populous city. For the point, name this Canadian province containing Vancouver.

ANSWER: **British Columbia**

33. The district of Jalainur is home to a scale model of this building, whose ninth church allegedly sprang miraculously on the day of its consecration. Saint Gregory of Armenia is the dedicatee of one the chapels in this building. Biblical descriptions of heaven in the Book of Revelation inspired the rich color scheme of this building that was once known as Pokrovsky Sobor. Built from 1555 to 1561, this building contains several onion-shaped domes. Found in Red Square, for the point, name this Moscow cathedral.

ANSWER: **St. Basil's** Cathedral

34. In 2013, one nation withdrew troops from the Depsang Bulge along a portion of this border. The Daulat Beg Oldi site is one of five sanctioned meeting points along this border and is located in the region of Ladakh. The Line of Actual Control and the McMahon Line are among the boundaries that encompass this border, which was the center of a dispute when parts of the Aksai Chin region on one side were used to build a highway connecting Tibet to Xinjiang. For the point, name this border between the two most-populous countries on Earth.

ANSWER: **China-India Border** (accept **Line of Actual Control** before mentioned; accept **Sino-Indian** Border; accept **Indo-Chinese** border)

35. This mountain's namesake state park also contains other tall peaks like Balsam Cone and Mount Hallback. Camp Alice is found on this peak in Yancey County that is the highest in the Black Mountain sub range. A 102-mile long cycling race ending on this peak begins at Spartanburg and is called the "Assault on" it. This mountain is named after a professor who died while taking measurements of its height. Found near Asheville in North Carolina, for the point, name this tallest peak in the Appalachian Mountains.

ANSWER: Mount **Mitchell**

Extra Question:

Until 2017, Mellow Yellow was a particularly old locale selling this good that was closed due to its proximity to a school. In 2008, a *wiettop* found that over 80% of mayors supported legal establishments that sold this good known as coffee shops. Only those who live within 150 kilometers of establishments where this good is sold can legally purchase it in Maastricht. An annual competition focusing on this good gives out an award for best Nederhash. For the point, name this good that has contributed to Amsterdam's drug tourism.

ANSWER: **cannabis** (accept **marijuana**; accept **weed**; accept **pot**)